

COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

Commonwealth Transportation Board

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Agenda item #9

RESOLUTION OF THE COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD

July 19, 2017

MOTION

<u>Made By:</u> Mr. Williams, <u>Seconded By:</u> Mr. Garczynski <u>Action:</u> Motion Carried, Unanimously

Title: Limited Access Control Change (LACC)

Route 144 (Temple Avenue)

Prince George County

WHEREAS, Route 144 (Temple Avenue), State Highway Project 0144-074-101, RW-201, Prince George County was designated as a Limited Access Highway by the State Highway and Transportation Commission, predecessor to the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB), on June 22, 1979; and

WHEREAS, in connection with State Highway Project 0144-074-101, RW-201, the Commonwealth acquired certain limited access control easements from Sovran Bank, N.A., Trustee, by Instrument dated November 29, 1984, recorded in Deed Book 273, Page 507, concluded by Order dated August 24, 1988, recorded in Deed Book 309, Page 665, both recorded in the Office of the Clerk of Circuit Court of the County of Prince George; and

WHEREAS, Lake Harley, LLC has requested a break in limited access control along Route 144 (Temple Avenue) to construct a right in and right out commercial entrance to serve as direct access to and from the property between Whitehall Boulevard, Route 791 and Puddleduck Road, Route 645 onto the existing limited access right of way for Route 144 (Temple Avenue) (Limited Access Control Change or LACC); and

WHEREAS, the request is for a break of 100 feet, along the south existing right of way and limited access line of Route 144 (Temple Avenue), as shown on the final design plans for State Highway Project, 0144-074-101, RW-201, between Station 136+71 (Route 144 EBL

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Centerline) and Station 137+71 (Route 144 EBL Centerline) for a connection to Route 144 (Temple Avenue) approximately 634 feet east of Whitehall Boulevard and approximately 903 feet west of Puddleduck Road, with right in and right out only turning movements, no median break and the construction of an eastbound right turn lane with a 200 feet taper and 200 feet of storage; and

WHEREAS, the County of Prince George, by resolution, R-16-075, adopted September 16, 2016, supports the LACC; and

WHEREAS, VDOT's Richmond District has determined, with the Chief Engineer concurring, that the proposed break in the limited access control of Route 144 will have no impact on the operation of the Route 144 right of way, and the proposed LACC is appropriate from a safety and traffic control standpoint based upon a Traffic Impact Analysis, dated December 29, 2016, Revised April 6, 2017, prepared by Davenport; and

WHEREAS, VDOT's Richmond District has determined the location of the proposed LACC is within an air quality maintenance or non-attainment area, however, the proposed project does not qualify as being regionally significant and no air quality conformity review is required. In addition, the environmental impact analysis was reviewed and approved by the Richmond District and there will be no adverse environmental impacts; and

WHEREAS, public notices of willingness for hearings/comment were posted in the *Progress-Index* newspaper on May 30, 2017 and June 7, 2017; and, the *Prince George Journal* newspaper on May 31, 2017 and June 7, 2017; and, the *Urban Views Weekly* newspaper on May 31, 2017 and June 7, 2017, with no comments or requests for a public hearing received; and

WHEREAS, compensation shall be paid by the requestor in consideration of the LACC and the related easements to be conveyed, as determined by the Commissioner of Highways or his designee; and

WHEREAS, all right of way, engineering, construction, and necessary safety improvements shall meet all VDOT standards and requirements; and

WHEREAS, all costs of engineering and construction, including all necessary safety improvements, will be borne by the requestor; and

WHEREAS, the requestor will be required to obtain a Land Use Permit prior to any activity within the Route 144 limited access right of way.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, in accordance with Section 33.2-401 of the *Code of Virginia* and 24 *Virginia Administrative Code* 30-401--10 et seq., the CTB hereby finds

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and concurs with the determinations of VDOT, and approves said LACC, as set forth herein, subject to the above referenced conditions.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Commissioner of Highways is authorized to take all actions and execute any and all documents necessary to implement such changes.

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CTB Decision Brief Route 144 (Temple Avenue) County of Prince George Limited Access Control Change

Issues: Lake Harley, LLC has requested a break in limited access control along Route 144 (Temple Avenue) to construct a right in and right out commercial entrance to serve as direct access to and from the property between Whitehall Boulevard, Route 791 and Puddleduck Road, Route 645 onto the existing limited access right of way for Route 144 (Temple Avenue). This limited access control change requires approval of the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) pursuant to § 33.2-401 of the *Code of Virginia* and 24 VAC 30-401-20 of the *Virginia Administrative Code*

Facts:

- Route 144 (Temple Avenue), State Highway Project 0144-074-101, RW-201, in Prince George County was designated as a Limited Access Highway by the State Highway and Transportation Commission, predecessor to the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB), on June 22, 1979.
- In connection with the Route 144 project, the Commonwealth acquired certain limited access control easements from Sovran Bank, N.A., Trustee, by Instrument dated November 29, 1984, recorded in Deed Book 273, Page 507, concluded by Order dated August 24, 1988, recorded in Deed Book 309, Page 665, both recorded in the Office of the Clerk of Circuit Court of the County of Prince George.
- The proposed break is 100 feet wide, along the south existing right of way and limited access line of Route 144 (Temple Avenue), as shown on the final design plans for State Highway Project, 0144-074-101, RW-201, between Station 136+71 (Route 144 EBL Centerline) and Station 137+71 (Route 144 EBL Centerline) for a connection to Route 144 (Temple Avenue) approximately 634 feet east of Whitehall Boulevard and approximately 903 feet west of Puddleduck Road, with right in and right out only turning movements, no median break and the construction of an eastbound right turn lane with a 200 feet taper and 200 feet of storage.
- This change is not covered by the General Rules and Regulations of the CTB or by the Land Use Permit Regulations, thus requiring action by the CTB.
- The written determination of the Chief Engineer regarding this proposed project is attached for your consideration.
- The County of Prince George, by resolution, R-16-075, adopted September 16, 2016, supports the limited access control change.
- VDOT's Richmond District has determined, with the Chief Engineer concurring, that the proposed break in the limited access control of Route 144 will have no impact on the operation of the Route 144 right of way, and the proposed LACC is appropriate from a safety and traffic control standpoint based upon a Traffic Impact Analysis, dated December 29, 2016, Revised April 6, 2017, prepared by Davenport.
- VDOT's Richmond District has determined the location of the proposed LACC is within an air quality maintenance or non-attainment area, however, the proposed project does not qualify as being regionally significant and no air quality conformity review is required. In addition, the environmental impact analysis was reviewed and approved by the Richmond District and there will be no adverse environmental impacts.
- Public notices of willingness for hearings/comment were posted in the *Progress-Index* newspaper on May 30, 2017 and June 7, 2017; and, the *Prince George Journal* newspaper on May 31, 2017 and June 7, 2017; and, the *Urban Views Weekly* newspaper on May 31, 2017

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and June 7, 2017 at the requestor's expense. No comments or requests for a public hearing were received.

- Compensation shall be paid by the requestor in consideration of the LACC and the related easements to be conveyed, as determined by the Commissioner of Highways or his designee.
- All right of way, engineering, construction, and necessary safety improvements shall meet all VDOT standards and requirements.
- All costs of any engineering, construction or safety improvements will be borne by the requestor.
- The requestor will be required to obtain a Land Use Permit prior to any activity within the Route 144 limited access right of way.

Recommendation: VDOT recommends the approval of the proposed LACC subject to the referenced conditions and facts. VDOT further recommends that the Commissioner be authorized to take all actions and execute all documentation necessary to implement the LACC.

Action Required by CTB: Virginia Code § 33.2-401 requires a majority vote of the CTB approving the recommended LACC. The CTB will be presented with a resolution for a formal vote.

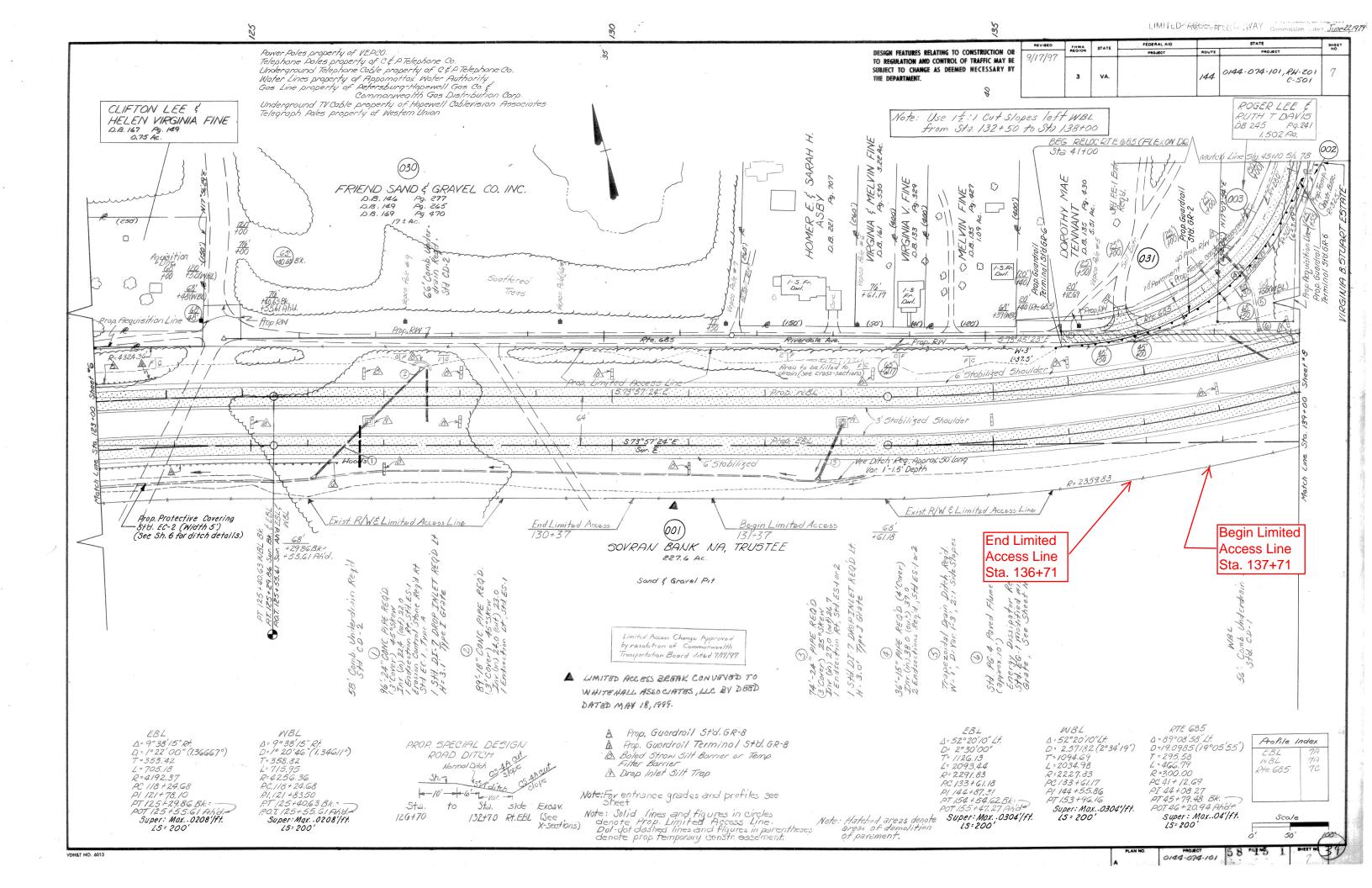
Result, if Approved: The project will move forward as proposed and the Commissioner of Highways will be authorized to take all actions necessary to comply with this resolution.

Options: Approve, Deny, or Defer.

Public Comments/Reactions: None



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Board of Supervisors County of Prince George, Virginia

Resolution

At a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Prince George held in the Boardroom, Third Floor, County Administration Building, 6602 Courts Drive, Prince George, Virginia this 13th day of September, 2016:

Present:	Vote:	_
William A. Robertson, Jr., Chairman	Aye	
Jerry J. Skalsky, Vice Chairman	Aye	
Alan C. Carmichael	Aye	
Donald Hunter	Aye	
T. J. Webb	Aye	
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On motion of Mr. Hunter, seconded by Mr. Skalsky, which carried unanimously, the following Resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS Lake Harley LLC has requested County support in their effort to construct a Right In and Right Out (RIRO) on Temple Avenue at Lake Harley LLC's cost; and

WHEREAS a major priority in roadway access and development is the enhancement of a community's economic development potential and support of existing businesses;

WHEREAS the Board of Supervisors of the County of Prince George would be in support of a Right In Right Out (RIRO) access point on the south line of Temple Avenue eastbound between Whitehill Boulevard and Puddledock Road;

WHEREAS the Board of Supervisors of the County of Prince George would not be in support of a left turn lane from Temple Avenue westbound crossing the eastbound lanes;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that this Board of Supervisors of the County of Prince George this 13th day of September, 2016 that it hereby petitions and requests that a Right In Right Out (RIRO) access point be approved by VDOT to provide access to the Lake Harley LLC commercial development area located on the south line of Temple Avenue eastbound. Lake Harley LLC shall pay all costs associated with this project.

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Percy C. Ashcraft

County Administrator